



Stratford-upon-Avon Methodist Church

Morning Worship

Sunday 13th January 2019 @ 10.30am

Organist: Carolyn Evans

Welcome and introduction.

Call to worship

Hymn: STF 188 'There's a light upon the mountains,'

Reading: Genesis 1, v 1-6

Poem: 'And God Said Let There Be Light' (*by Charles MacKay*)

Prayer

Hymn: STF 706 'Longing for light, we wait in darkness,'

Reading: Isaiah 60, v 1-3, 19-20

Introduction to reading and reading

Hymn: H&P 67 'Lead, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,'

Reading: John 1, v 1-14

Poem: 'And The Word Was Made Flesh' (*by Laurence Housman*)

Prayer

Offering

Reading: John 9, v 1-9, 35-41

Reading followed by reflection

Prayer

Hymn: STF 346 'Christ is the world's light,'

Readings: John 8, v 12
Matthew 5, v 14-16

Prayers of intercession and the Lord's prayer

Hymn: STF 59 'Lord, the light of your love is shining,'

Blessing

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CHURCH NOTICES

'Our vision is to share the good news of Jesus Christ with those around us and provide a place of witness for all people.'

WELCOME TO ALL



Please join us for refreshments after the service.

Dates for the coming week.

Today 3-5pm Youphonix will meet.

Monday 10am - 12 noon Card Craft.
 2.30pm Bible study.

Tuesday 10am - 12 noon Knit, Stitch and Natter.
 10am Prayer Group.

Wednesday 9.30am -11.30am Wesley's Baby and Toddler Group.

Friday 9.30am -11.30am Wesley's Baby and Toddler Group.
2pm - 4pm Cake and Company.

FURTHER NOTICES

Would all home collection box holders please pass them to me before the end of January. Many thanks. Gillian Bowers.

Cake and Company

This social gathering meets every Friday from 2pm until 4pm and attracts people, in the main, who do not attend our church.

We are in need of volunteers whose task it is to make our visitors feel welcome and to serve the light refreshments. Volunteers operate on a rota basis so are not 'on duty' every week. If you feel you would be able to help us with this outreach please speak to myself or Kath Fraser.

Respective Tel nos. 295560 and 269798.

Many thanks Gillian Bowers.

On Saturday 2nd February we are holding a 'Book Fayre' in the Wesley Hall from 10.00am to 12 noon. We need hundreds of paper backs to make it a success. If you can give us any **books** and any **unwanted gifts** please leave items in the box in the Welcome Foyer. We will be serving teas, coffees and toasted teacakes throughout the morning. All Proceeds for Church funds.

If you would like to help on the morning please let me know.

Everyone else just come and enjoy a chat over a drink and snack.

Maureen

Friendship Lunch February 3rd

The notice is on the board in the Wesley Hall. If you would like to join us for a meal please sign up giving any dietary requirements. All are welcome.

Prayer for the New South Warwickshire Circuit.

We ask for your prayers for the Ministerial team the Mid Warwickshire Circuit.

Rev Peter Powers Superintendent,

Rev Barbara Greenwood, Rev Jeongsook Kim, Rev Sam McBratney
and Rev Jemima Strain.

Circuit prayer from Broadway

Dear Lord, we thank you for the recent joy of Christmas. We thank you for the promise of new beginnings and a refreshment of vision at Epiphany.

Today we pray for unity within our Christian Church, locally, nationally and internationally.

May the love that unites us in worldwide fellowship lead us on your path, to care more, to share more and to love more.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, Light of our world. Amen

Sunday 20th January at 10.30am

Service will be a united service in this church with Holy Trinity

NEXT WEEK'S NOTICES: to Gillian Bowers. email:-
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